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COURT OF APPEAL, THIRD APPELLATE DISTRICT OFFERS ITS FOURTH DANA CURTIS MEDIATION, MEDIATOR TRAINING SESSION IN 2010

The Court of Appeal, Third Appellate District, is pleased to announce that it is again recruiting attorneys and retired judges to join its mediator panel. Launched in October 2006, the success of this program has prompted the need to expand the Court's panel by offering this fourth training. Attorneys and retired judges from throughout the 23 counties served by the Third District Court of Appeal are encouraged to apply. The appellate mediator training course is limited to **24 participants** and provided at no cost to the participants. It is scheduled for **late-April**, **early-May 2010** (see below).

Training by Dana Curtis Mediation is a prerequisite to serving on the Third District's mediator panel (http://danacurtismediation.com/dcm/about.html). The course is approved by the State Bar of California and provides 29.75 hours MCLE and Appellate Specialization Credit.

In consideration for providing the training, the Appellate Mediation Program mediators must agree to accept up to four mediation referrals. The first four hours of all mediations referred by the Court are *pro bono*, and with agreement of the parties, any mediation time exceeding four hours may be charged at the mediator's hourly rate, paid by the parties.

This fourth training session will be conducted in Sacramento as follows:

Session One: April 29, 2010 (12:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.), April 30, 2010 (8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.),

May 1, 2010 (8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.).

Session Two: May 14, 2010 (8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.) and May 15, 2010 (8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.).

Admission to the training requires all candidates to commit to all sessions. Certification as a Third District Court of Appeal mediator, requires that all participants complete the entire training.

The mediator application is located on the Court's web site (see link below). Evaluation of all candidates is conducted by justices of the Third District Court of Appeal.

(http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/courts/courtsofappeal/3rdDistrict/documents/Mediator_Application.doc)

Those interested in becoming a mediator for the Third District's Appellate Mediation Program should complete the application, attach their reśumé, and return it to: **Anne K. Meline, Mediation Program Coordinator, 2890 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 210, Sacramento, California 95833.**

The deadline for submission of applications is <u>March 15, 2010</u> (fax {916-641-6527} or email {<u>rene.ackerman@jud.ca.gov</u>} submission is permitted). For additional information, interested individuals are welcome to contact the Mediation Program Office by phone at 916-274-5895.